



# *Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors*

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## **County Board Committee on Finance, Personnel and Audit Recommends Restoring Important Public Safety Services in the 2014 Budget**

The Board's Committee on Finance, Personnel and Audit (FPA) adopted a comprehensive plan today to ensure public safety is restored in the Milwaukee County budget.

FPA Co-Chairman David Cullen said, "With today's action, neighborhood and community safety have been reestablished as a priority in this budget by ensuring law enforcement has the tools necessary to carry out their constitutional and statutory responsibilities to protect the public."

FPA Co-Chairman Willie Johnson, Jr. said, "This plan will put law enforcement resources and personnel on the street and in the community. Public safety is always a number one priority, and Milwaukee County has an obligation to fund services necessary to keep the public safe."

On an 8-1 vote, the Committee approved the following public safety measures:

- Funding the restoration of 29 personnel in the Office of the Sheriff, including 26 sworn law enforcement positions
- Restoring the Targeted Enforcement Unit that handles parks patrol and other emergency responses
- Providing \$175,000 for an intergovernmental collaboration to fund Shot Spotter technology
- Adding two investigator positions to the Office of the District Attorney for child support enforcement
- Ensuring the House of Correction will be able to use the Sheriff's Training facility to train officers at the facility
- Creating dignitary protection for the County Executive provided by local law enforcement in response to his request for security detail.

The amendment now goes to the full County Board that will vote Tuesday, November 12, on the entire budget.

- To view the schedule of budget meetings, see the agendas and watch a live online feed, please click [here](#).
- To view the County Board's budget overview, please click [here](#).
- The County Board of Supervisors will hold its annual public hearing on the 2014 Recommended Budget on November 4, 2013, at 4 p.m. at the Milwaukee County War Memorial Center. For more information, please click [here](#).

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